

# Geodesic Active Fields

## A Geometric Framework for Image Registration

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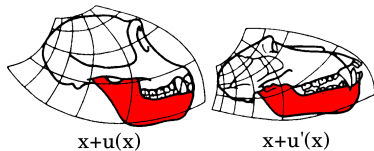
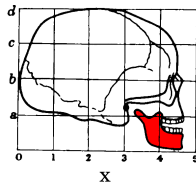
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# **A Brief on Variational Image Registration**

## On Growth and Form



D'Arcy Wentworth Thompson  
(\*1860 – †1948)



## Energy minimization

$$\mathbf{u}^* = \underset{\mathbf{u}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \{E(\mathbf{u})\}$$

$$\text{e.g. } E = \int_{\Omega} (M(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{u}) - F(\mathbf{x}))^2 d\mathbf{x}$$

... with regularization

$$E = \int_{\Omega} (M(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{u}) - F(\mathbf{x}))^2 d\mathbf{x} + \alpha \cdot \int_{\Omega} |\nabla \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x})| d\mathbf{x}$$

More general:

$$E = E_{\text{data}} + \alpha \cdot E_{\text{regularization}}, \quad \alpha > 0.$$

# The Beltrami Framework

N. Sochen, R. Kimmel, and R. Malladi, "A General Framework For Low Level Vision," *IEEE TIP*, 7(3):310–318, 1998



- ① An Embedding
- ② A Riemannian structure
- ③ A Measure on the embedding map

2D grayscale Image

$$\begin{aligned} I : (x, y) \in \Omega &\mapsto I(x, y) \in \mathbb{R} \\ (\text{space}) &\mapsto (\text{feature}) \end{aligned}$$

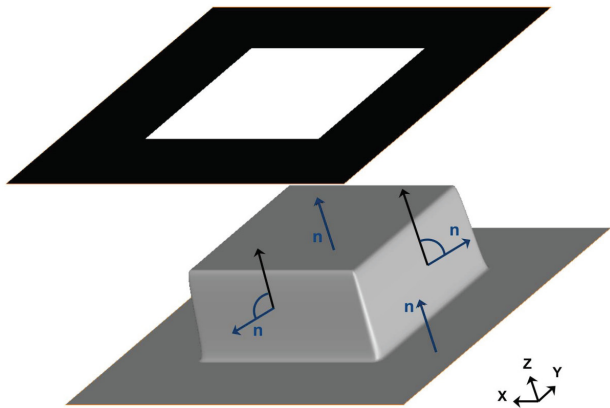
Beltrami embedding

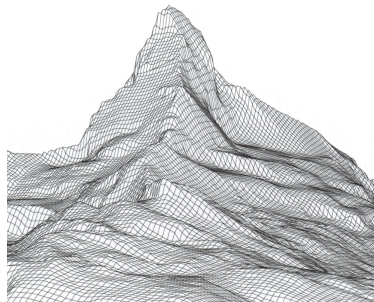
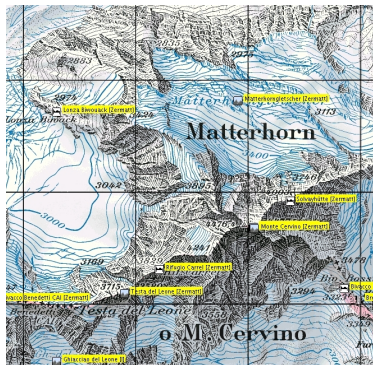
$$\begin{aligned} X : (x, y) \in \Omega &\mapsto (x, y, I(x, y)) \in \Omega \times \mathbb{R} \\ (\text{space}) &\mapsto (\text{space}, \text{feature}) \end{aligned}$$

More general

$$X : \Sigma \mapsto M; \quad X : (\sigma^1 \dots \sigma^n) \mapsto (X^1(\sigma^1 \dots \sigma^n) \dots X^m(\sigma^1 \dots \sigma^n))$$









$\Sigma$  and  $M$  are **isometric**

Let  $h_{ij}$  be the metric of  $M$ , e.g.

$h_{ij} = \text{arbitrary}$

$$h_{ij} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \beta^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

For  $g_{\mu\nu}$  on  $\Sigma$  the *pullback relation* yields

$$g_{\mu\nu} = h_{ij} \partial_\mu X^i \partial_\nu X^j$$

$$g = \det(g_{\mu\nu})$$

$$g_{\mu\nu} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 + \beta^2 l_x^2 & \beta^2 l_x l_y \\ \beta^2 l_x l_y & 1 + \beta^2 l_y^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$g = 1 + \beta^2 \|\nabla I\|^2$$



## Polyakov Action

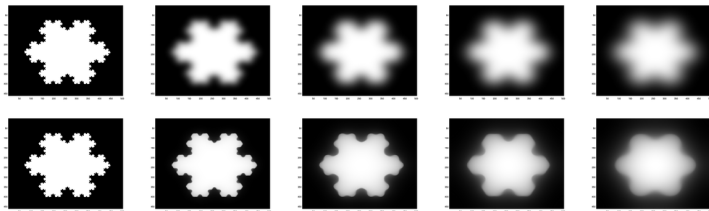
$$S = \int \sqrt{g} \, dx dy$$

$$S = \int \sqrt{1 + \beta^2 \|\nabla I\|^2} \, dx dy$$

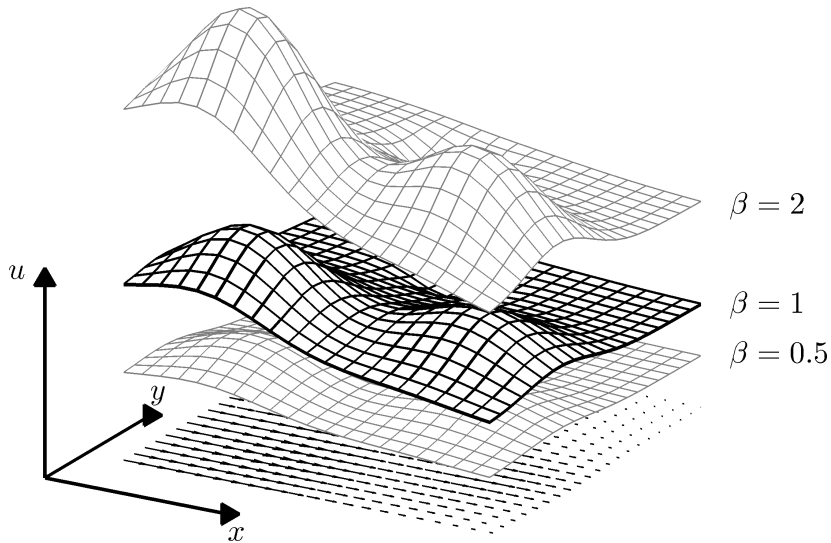
## Beltrami Flow

$$\partial_t X^i = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \partial_\mu (\sqrt{g} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\nu X^i) + \Gamma_{jk}^i \partial_\mu X^j \partial_\nu X^k g^{\mu\nu}$$

$$\Gamma_{jk}^i = \frac{1}{2} h^{il} (\partial_j h_{kl} + \partial_k h_{jl} - \partial_l h_{jk})$$



# Image Registration + Beltrami Framework



## Beltrami Regularization

$$X : (x, y) \mapsto (x, y, u, v)$$

$$h_{ij} = \text{diag}(1, 1, \beta^2, \beta^2)$$

$$g_{\mu\nu} = h_{ij} \partial_\mu X^i \partial_\nu X^j$$

$$E = \int_{\Omega} (M(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{u}) - F(\mathbf{x}))^2 d\mathbf{x} + \alpha \cdot \int \sqrt{g} d\mathbf{x}, \quad \alpha > 0.$$



DOH!

- R. Ben-Ari and N. Sochen, “Non-isotropic regularization of the correspondence space in stereo-vision,” in **ICPR 2004**, vol. 4, Aug. 2004, pp. 293–296.
- —, “A geometric approach for regularization of the data term in stereo-vision,” **J. Math. Imaging Vis.**, vol. 31, no. 1, pp. 17–33, May 2008.
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## Geodesic Active Fields

$$X : (x, y) \mapsto (x, y, u, v)$$

$$h_{ij} = \text{diag}(1, 1, \beta^2, \beta^2)$$

$$g_{\mu\nu} = h_{ij} \partial_\mu X^i \partial_\nu X^j$$

$$E = \int (1 + \alpha \cdot f) \sqrt{g} d\mathbf{x}$$

$$\text{e.g. } f = (M(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{u}) - F(\mathbf{x}))^2$$

... and its Flow

$$\partial_t X^i = (1 + \alpha \cdot f) \textcolor{red}{H}^i + \alpha \partial_k f g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\mu X^k \partial_\nu X^i - \alpha \frac{m \cdot n}{2} \partial_k f h^{ki},$$

$$H^i = \frac{1}{\sqrt{g}} \partial_\mu (\sqrt{g} g^{\mu\nu} \partial_\nu X^i) + \Gamma_{jk}^i \partial_\mu X^j \partial_\nu X^k g^{\mu\nu}$$



# A Splitting Scheme

Discrete samples:

$$E_{GAF} = \int f \sqrt{g} \, d\mathbf{x} \approx \sum_{i=1}^N F_i G_i = F^T G$$
$$F, G \in \mathbb{R}^N$$

Let's split:

$$\min_{\mathbf{u}} \left\{ F(\mathbf{u})^T G(\mathbf{u}) \right\} \Leftrightarrow \min_{\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}} \left\{ F(\mathbf{u})^T G(\mathbf{v}) \right\} \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{v}$$
$$\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times p}$$

Augmented Lagrangian:

$$\Lambda(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \lambda) = F(\mathbf{u})^T G(\mathbf{v}) + \lambda \cdot (\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}) + \frac{r}{2} \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}\|^2$$
$$\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times p} \quad r \in \mathbb{R}^+$$

Concept:

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{u}^{k+1} &= \arg \min_{\mathbf{u}} \{ F(\mathbf{u})^T G(\mathbf{v}^k) + \lambda^k \cdot (\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}^k) + \frac{r}{2} \|\mathbf{u} - \mathbf{v}^k\|^2 \}, \\ \mathbf{v}^{k+1} &= \arg \min_{\mathbf{v}} \{ F(\mathbf{u}^{k+1})^T G(\mathbf{v}) + \lambda^k \cdot (\mathbf{u}^{k+1} - \mathbf{v}) + \frac{r}{2} \|\mathbf{u}^{k+1} - \mathbf{v}\|^2 \}, \\ \lambda^{k+1} &= \lambda^k + r(\mathbf{u}^{k+1} - \mathbf{v}^{k+1}), \end{cases}$$

Sketch of a solution:

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{u}^{k+1} &= \mathbf{v}^k - \frac{1}{r} (\lambda^k + \text{diag}(G(\mathbf{v}^k)) \cdot \frac{\partial F}{\partial \mathbf{u}}(\mathbf{u}^k)) \\ \mathbf{v}^{k+1} &= (I - \frac{1}{r} \text{diag}(F(\mathbf{u}^{k+1})) \cdot W)^{-1} (\mathbf{u}^{k+1} + \frac{1}{r} \lambda^k), \\ \lambda^{k+1} &= \lambda^k + r(\mathbf{u}^{k+1} - \mathbf{v}^{k+1}), \end{cases}$$



Some Results



## Stereo Vision

$$X : (x, y) \mapsto (x, y, \mathbf{u})$$

$$h_{ij} = \text{diag}(1, 1, \beta^2)$$

$$g_{\mu\nu} = h_{ij} \partial_\mu X^i \partial_\nu X^j$$

Absolute error ( $L^1$ -norm):

$$f = \sqrt{(M(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{u}) - F(\mathbf{x}))^2 + \epsilon^2}$$

$$E = \int (1 + \alpha \cdot f) \sqrt{g} d\mathbf{x}$$



## 2D Medical Imaging

$$X : (x, y) \mapsto (x, y, \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})$$

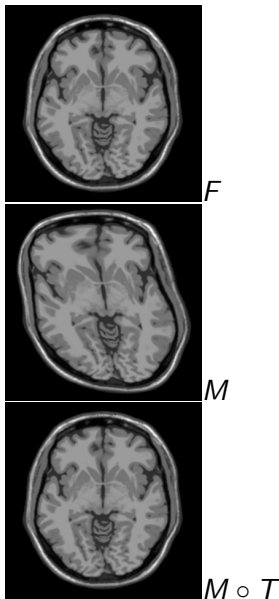
$$h_{ij} = \text{diag}(1, 1, \beta^2, \beta^2)$$

$$g_{\mu\nu} = h_{ij} \partial_\mu X^i \partial_\nu X^j$$

Squared error ( $L^2$ -norm):

$$f = (M(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{u}) - F(\mathbf{x}))^2$$

$$E = \int (1 + \alpha \cdot f) \sqrt{g} d\mathbf{x}$$



## Multimodal Medical Imaging

$$X : (x, y) \mapsto (x, y, u, v)$$

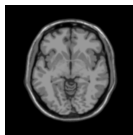
$$h_{ij} = \text{diag}(1, 1, \beta^2, \beta^2)$$

$$g_{\mu\nu} = h_{ij} \partial_\mu X^i \partial_\nu X^j$$

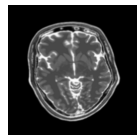
Local, joint entropy (MI):

$$f = -\ln \left( p^{fm}(F(\mathbf{x}), M(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{u})) \right)$$

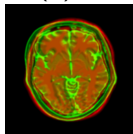
$$E = \int (1 + \alpha \cdot f) \sqrt{g} d\mathbf{x}$$



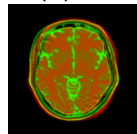
(a)  $F$



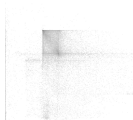
(b)  $M$



(c)  $F|M$



(d)  $F|M \circ T_0$



(e)  $p^{fm}$



(f)  $p^{f\{m \circ T_0\}}$



## Gaussian Scale-Space

$$X : (x, y, \sigma) \mapsto (x, y, \sigma, u, v)$$

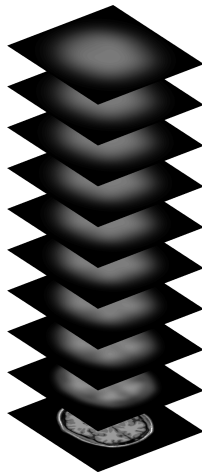
$$h_{ij} = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \text{diag}(1, 1, 1, \beta^2, \beta^2)$$

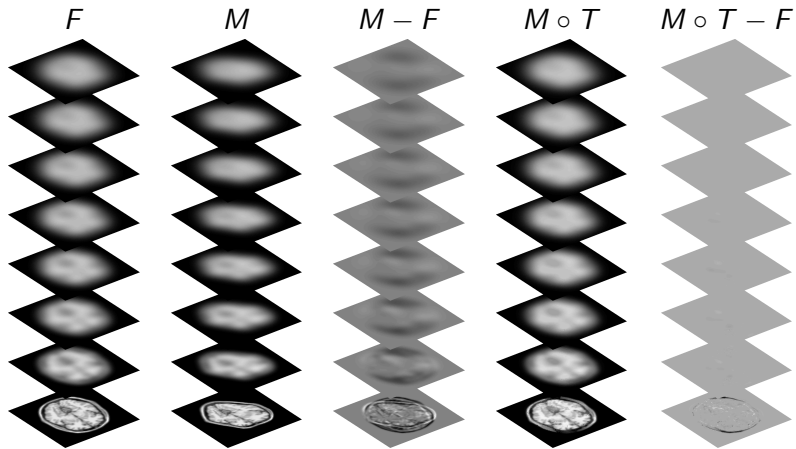
$$g_{\mu\nu} = h_{ij} \partial_\mu X^i \partial_\nu X^j$$

Squared error ( $L^2$ -norm):

$$f = (M(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{u}) - F(\mathbf{x}))^2$$

$$E = \int (1 + \alpha \cdot f) \sqrt{g} d\mathbf{x}$$





A red sports car is shown in motion, crossing a black and white checkered finish line. The car is blurred, indicating speed. The checkered pattern is prominent on the left side of the image.

# Summary

## Geodesic Active Fields:

- Embedding:

$$X : (x, y) \mapsto (x, y, u)$$

- Metrics:

$$h_{ij} = \text{diag}(1, 1, \beta^2),$$

$$g_{\mu\nu} = h_{ij} \partial_\mu X^i \partial_\nu X^j$$

- Energy:

$$E_{GAF} = \int (1 + \alpha \cdot f) \sqrt{g} d\mathbf{x}$$



A novel method called geodesic active fields to register images:

- Standard Cartesian images, images on arbitrary Riemannian manifolds
- Parametrization invariance
- Geometric regularization: interpolate TV and Gaussian
- Data-dependent spatially adaptive regularization

## Outlook

- Faster numerical schemes
- Diffeomorphic deformations
- etc.

$$S = \int f \sqrt{g} d\sigma$$

Task	Emb. features	$f$	e.g.
Intensity*	$I / R, G, B$	1	Sochen1998
Texture	$G$	1	Kimmel2000
Deformation field	$u$	1	BenAri2004/
regularization	$I, u$	1	2008/2009
Segmentation	$C$	$\frac{1}{1+\lambda\ \nabla I\ ^2}$	Bresson2006
Registration	$u$	$1 + \alpha \cdot d(M', F)$	Zosso2010
	$I, u / G, u$	$1 + \alpha \cdot d(M', F)$	-

\* Scale-space and regularization (denoising).

*It has not escaped our notice that the specific weighted embedding we have postulated immediately suggests similar usage in other computer vision tasks.*

## Related publications

### Tech reports:

- D. Zosso, X. Bresson and JP. Thiran, “Geodesic Active Fields – A Geometric Framework for Image Registration,” **Technical Report**, LTS-2010-001, and **CAM Report 10-14**, Jan. 2010.

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- D. Zosso, X. Bresson and JP. Thiran, “Geodesic Active Fields – A Geometric Framework for Image Registration,” submitted to **IEEE Trans Image Process**, Mar. 2010.

### Conferences:

- D. Zosso and JP. Thiran, “Geodesic Active Fields on the Sphere,” **ICPR 2010**, Istanbul, Turkey, Aug. 2010.
- D. Zosso, X. Bresson and JP. Thiran, “Geodesic Active Fields – A Geometric Framework for Image Registration,” **ICNAAM 2010**, Rhodes, Greece, Sep. 2010.